

Docket No. 206202US3DIV

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hironori FUKUDA, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/848,280

FILED: MAY 4, 2001

FOR: METHOD OF PRODUCING REDUCED IRON AND PRODUCTION FACILITIES THEREFOR

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SIR: Transmitted herewith is a **Second Preliminary Amendment** in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL	5	MINUS	20	0	× \$18 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	2	MINUS	4	0	× \$80 =	\$0.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			+ \$270 =	\$0.00
		TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				\$0.00
		<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity				\$0.00
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		TOTAL				\$0.00

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- ☒ If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 9-13 without prejudice as follows.

--9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled) --